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SUBJ: UNCTAD: FINANCIAL IMPLICATION OF TDB XIII IN
FIFTH COMMITTEE

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1. MISSION IS AIRPOUCHING TO ADDRESSEES UNCTAD SECRETARIAT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (TD/B/L.334, REV. 1)
OF ACTION TAKEN WHICH WAS SUBMITTED TO THIRTEENTH SESSION
OF UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TDB XIII). US DEL
RESERVED ON DOCUMENT.

2. IN ADDITION REVIEW OF UNCTAD BUDGET TRANSMITTED REFTL,
WE BELIEVE FOLLOWING COMMENTS PERTINENT TO STATEMENT ON
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR USE IN DISCUSSIONS INF FIFTH
COMMITTEE OF GA.

A) EXPERT GROUP ON AID AND FLOW TARGETS. UNCTAD
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SECTION 14 SUBMISSION (TABLE 14-3) PROVIDED

FOR MEETING OF 12 EXPERTS FOR FIVE DAYS IN 1975
ON THIS SUBJECT AT COST OF \$10,000. INSTEAD OF MOVING
MEETING UP ON YEAR, SECRETARIAT INFORMED BOARD FIVE-DAY
MEETING IN 1974 WOULD ADD \$26,000 TO BUDGET. IN FIFTH
COMMITTEE, BELIEVE WE SHOULD (A) QUESTION NEED FOR 1975
MEETING AND, IF POSSIBLE, ELIMINATE IT IN VIEW OF BOARD
DECISION HOLD MEETING YEAR EARLIER AND (B) ASCERTAIN
REASONS FOR WIDE DIVERGENCE IN COST. EXPERT GROUP WHICH
MET IN 1973 HAD 18 MEMBERS. FOR FIVE-DAY MEETING THIS
WOULD PUT COST AT ROUGHLY \$15,000 RATHER THAN \$26,000
PROJECTED.

B) CONSULTANTS ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY. RESOLUTION
39(III) AND SECOND MEETING OF IGG SET FORTH BROAD PROGRAM
OF WORK ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY WHICH WILL TAKE SUB-
STANTIAL TIME TO COMPLETE. THIS FULLY RECOGNIZED BY
SECRETARIAT WHICH URGED NEXT SESSION OF IGG BE DELAYED
FROM DATE ENVISAGED (SEE PARA 4 GENEVA 667). BOARD RESO-
LUTION (GENEVA 4810) CALLING ON SECRETARIAT, WITH USE OF
CONSULTANTS, TO PREPARE BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR STUDY BY
IGG OF POSSIBILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF CODE OF CONDUCT
CLEARLY ALTERS PRIORITY OF WORK BUT DOES NOT ESTABLISH
CASE FOR 12 MAN-MONTHS OF CONSULTANTS IN 1974 AT COST
OF \$36,000. BY ALTERING INTERNAL PRIORITIES, SECRE-
TARIAT SHOULD BE ABLE MAKE USE OF 24 MAN-MONTHS ALLOCATED
FOR CONSULTANTS AND ALREADY INCLUDED IN 1974 BUDGET
REQUEST (PAGE 14, ANNEX II, TD/B/434). WE BELIEVE THIS
SHOULD BE QUESTIONED IN FIFTH COMMITTEE. BASSIN

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